

United States Forest Service
Tonto National Forest

EMERGENCY FIRE RESTRICTIONS

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 36 CFR 261.52 (a) and (b) the following acts and omissions are prohibited on the areas, roads, and trails as described in this Order, and as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “restricted area”), all within the Tonto National Forest, Maricopa, Gila, Yavapai, and Pinal Counties, Arizona:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or wood or charcoal burning stove. 36 CFR 261.52(a)
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, 36 CFR 261.52(d)
3. Operating an internal combustion engine. 36 CFR 261.52(h)

Exceptions: a) Operating or using a motor vehicle, boat or other watercraft, or any other internal combustion engine, with a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order and meeting either USDA Forest Service Standard 5100-1a or appropriate SAE recommended practice J335 (b) and J350 (a).

4. Welding, or operating an acetylene torch or other torch with open flame. 36 CFR 261.52 (i).
5. Discharging a firearm, except while engaged in a lawful hunt pursuant to state, federal, or tribal laws and regulations. 36 CFR 261.58(m).
6. Using an explosive. 36 CFR 261.52 (b).

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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3. Residents, owners or lessees of land, and holders of Forest Service special use authorizations within the restricted area are exempt from prohibition number 1 (building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or wood or charcoal burning stove) provided such fires are within a permanent structure (e.g. dwelling) and a spark arresting device is in use.

AREA DESCRIBED

All National Forest System lands, roads and trails within the Tonto National Forest, Maricopa, Gila, Yavapai, and Pinal Counties, Arizona (Exhibit A).

A list of developed recreation sites excepted from prohibition number 1 is attached hereto and made part of this Order as Exhibit B.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to provide for the public's health and safety and to protect National Forest System lands, resources and facilities during the current period of severe fire danger.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. Prohibitions contained in this Order become effective at 8:00 AM on June 19, 2013, terminate order 12-13-042, and will remain in effect until rescinded or until August 30, 2013, whichever occurs first.
2. Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [16 USC 551, 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581].

Done this 14th day of June 2013, at Phoenix, Arizona.

/s/Neil Bosworth
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Forest Supervisor